## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A method for manufacturing a semiconductor device comprising the steps of:
- forming a first insulating film on a substrate;

forming a second insulating film on the first insulating film; and

forming a gate electrode on the second insulating film; wherein the step of forming a second insulating film comprises a first step of supplying film-forming materials and making the film-forming materials adsorbed on the first insulating film; a second step of purging the film-forming materials that has not been adsorbed; a third step of supplying oxidants to oxidize the adsorbed film-forming materials; and a fourth step of purging the oxidants that has not contributed to oxidization;

the step of forming a second insulating film is repeated for a plurality of cycles continuously; and

the purging time in the fourth step in the initial predetermined number of cycles is made longer than the purging time in the fourth step in following cycles.

- 2. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the purging time in the fourth step in initial predetermined cycles is 5 to 15 times longer than the purging time in the fourth step in following cycles.
- 3. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein either  $HfO_2$ ,  $HfAlO_x$ ,  $HfSiO_x$ , or a nitride thereof is used as the second insulating film.

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- 4. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the initial predetermined number of cycles is 10 to 20.
- 5 5. A method for manufacturing a semiconductor device comprising the steps of:

forming a first insulating film on a substrate;

forming a second insulating film on the first insulating film; and

forming a gate electrode on the second insulating film; wherein the step of forming a second insulating film comprises a first step of supplying film-forming materials and making the film-forming materials adsorbed on the first insulating film; a second step of purging the film-forming materials that has not been adsorbed; a third step of supplying oxidants to oxidize the adsorbed film-forming materials; and a fourth step of purging the oxidants that has not contributed to oxidization;

the step of forming a second insulating film is repeated for a plurality of cycles continuously; and

the purging time in the second step in the initial predetermined number of cycles is made longer than the purging time in the second step in following cycles.

- 6. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 5, wherein the purging time in the second step in initial predetermined cycles is 5 to 10 times longer than the purging time in the second step in following cycles.
- 7. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 5, wherein either  $HfO_2$ ,  $HfAlO_x$ ,  $HfSiO_x$ , or a nitride thereof is used as the second insulating film.

- 8. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 5, wherein the initial predetermined number of cycles is 5 to 20.
- 5 9. A method for manufacturing a semiconductor device comprising the steps of:

forming a first insulating film on a substrate;

forming a second insulating film on the first insulating film; and

forming a gate electrode on the second insulating film; wherein the step of forming a second insulating film comprises a first step of supplying film-forming materials and making the film-forming materials adsorbed on the first insulating film; a second step of purging the film-forming materials that has not been adsorbed; a third step of supplying oxidants to oxidize the adsorbed film-forming materials; and a fourth step of purging the oxidants that has not contributed to oxidization;

the step of forming a second insulating film is repeated for a plurality of cycles continuously;

the purging time in the fourth step in the initial predetermined number of cycles is made longer than the purging time in the fourth step in following cycles; and

the purging time in the second step in the initial predetermined number of cycles is made longer than the purging time in the second step in following cycles.

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10. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 9, wherein

the purging time in the fourth step in initial predetermined cycles

is 5 to 15 times longer than the purging time in the fourth step in
following cycles; and

the purging time in the second step in initial predetermined cycles is 5 to 15 times longer than the purging time in the second step in following cycles.

- 11. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 9, wherein either HfO<sub>2</sub>, HfAlO<sub>x</sub>, HfSiO<sub>x</sub>, or a nitride thereof is used as the second insulating film.
- 12. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 9, wherein the initial predetermined number of cycles is 5 to 20.
  - 13. A method for manufacturing a semiconductor device comprising the steps of:
- forming a first insulating film on a substrate;
  forming a second insulating film on the first insulating film;
  and

forming a gate electrode on the second insulating film; wherein the step of forming a second insulating film comprises a first step of supplying film-forming materials and making the film-forming materials adsorbed on the first insulating film; a second step of purging the film-forming materials that has not been adsorbed; a third step of supplying oxidants to oxidize the adsorbed film-forming materials; and a fourth step of purging the oxidants that has not contributed to oxidization;

the step of forming a second insulating film is repeated for a plurality of cycles continuously; and

the supply quantity of the oxidants in the third step in the initial predetermined number of cycles is made more than the supply quantity of the oxidants in the third step in following cycles.

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- 14. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 13, wherein the supply quantity of the oxidants in the third step in the initial predetermined number of cycles is made 2 to 3 times more than the supply quantity of the oxidants in the third step in following cycles.
- 15. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 13, wherein either  $HfO_2$ ,  $HfAlO_x$ ,  $HfSiO_x$ , or a nitride thereof is used as the second insulating film.

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- 16. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 13, wherein the initial predetermined number of cycles is 5 to 20.
- 15 17. A method for manufacturing a semiconductor device comprising the steps of:

forming a first insulating film on a substrate;

forming a second insulating film on the first insulating film; and

forming a gate electrode on the second insulating film; wherein the step of forming a second insulating film comprises a first

step of supplying film-forming materials and making the film-forming materials adsorbed on the first insulating film; a second step of purging the film-forming materials that has not been adsorbed; a third step

of supplying oxidants to oxidize the adsorbed film-forming materials; and a fourth step of purging the oxidants that has not contributed

to oxidization;

the step of forming a second insulating film is repeated for a plurality of cycles continuously;

the supply of the oxidants in the third step is separated to a plurality of times; and

the number of times for supplying the oxidants in the third step in the initial predetermined number of cycles is made more than the number of times for supplying the oxidants in the third step in following cycles.

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- 18. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 17, wherein the number of times for supplying the oxidants in the third step in the initial predetermined number of cycles is made 2 to 3 times more than the number of times for supplying the oxidants
- 10 in the third step in following cycles.
  - 19. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 17, wherein either  $HfO_2$ ,  $HfAlO_x$ ,  $HfSiO_x$ , or a nitride thereof is used as the second insulating film.

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20. The method for manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 17, wherein the initial predetermined number of cycles is 5 to 20.